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SUBJ: US-USSR S&T AGREEMENT: WATER RESOURCES: PLASTICS IN
HYDROTECHNICAL CONSTRUCTION

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED COPY OF APRIL 4 LETTER FROM R.V. SVIKLIS TO HIS US COUNTERPART H.G. ARTHUR PROPOSING THAT FIVE US SPECIALISTS VISIT THE USSR IN THE SECOND HALF OF MAY OR THE FIRST HALF OF JUNE.
2. PURPOSE OF VISIT WOULD BE TO DEVELOP PLANS FOR SECTIONS II-3-1 AND II-3-2. SVIKLIS WISHES TO DISCUSS QUESTIONS REGARDING AN EXPERIMENTAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT, EXCHANGE OF POLYMER FILM SAMPLES FOR FIELD/ LABORATORY INVESTIGATIONS, AND THE EXCHANGE OF DATA ON RESEARCH EQUIPMENT AND TECHNICAL DOCUMENTS ON TESTING METHODS.
3. US DELEGATION WILL VISIT RESEARCH AND DESIGN INSTITUTES AND A WATER PROJECT UNDER CONSTRUCTION. DETAILED ITINERARY WILL BE PROVIDED LATER.
4. RECIPROCAL SOVIET DELEGATION WISHES TO VISIT THE US THE SECOND HALF OF SEPTEMBER OR AT ANY TIME CONVENIENT FOR THE US HOSTS.
5. SOVIET DELEGATION WISHES TO DISCUSS IN GREATER DETAIL THE USE OF PLASTIC PIPE FITTINGS IN DRAINAGE AND IRRIGATION SYSTEM, PREVENTION OF SLUDGE FORMATIONS, TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR POLYMER MATERIALS,

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METHODS FOR TESTING PLASTIC PIPES, CRITERIA FOR

EVALUATION OF PRODUCT QUALITY (II-3-3).

6. SOVIET DELEGATION WISHES TO VISIT APPROPRIATE ORGANIZATIONS, PLANTS AND WATER RESOURCE AND RECLAMATION PROJECT. SOVIET EXPERTS WILL NOT HAVE VISITED US BEFORE. NEVERTHELESS, SVIKLIS REQUESTS THAT THEY VISIT SITES OTHER THAN THOSE SEEN BY THE PREVIOUS SOVIET DELEGATION. IN VIEW OF SOVIET INTEREST IN US WORK ON PLASTIC MEMBRANE PLACEMENT (II-3-1), SVIKLIS WISHES TO INCLUDE ON SPECIALIST IN DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF WATERTIGHT LININGS. THEREFORE, SVIKLIS REQUESTS THAT PROGRAM INCLUDE VISITS TO ONE OR TWO PROJECT SITES FOR DEMONSTRATION OF INSTALLATION OF POLYMER FILM AND FIELD SEAMING METHODS ON A REPRESENTATIVE HYDROTECHNICAL STRUCTURE UNDER CONSTRUCTION OR RECONSTRUCTION.

7. SVIKLIS REQUESTS TELEGRAPHIC RESPONSE TO ABOVE PROPOSALS ASAP.

8. LETTER BEING POUCHED TO OES. REGISTRY NO. 2404071. STOESSEL

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